[Mr. E. G. Salter.]

(*c*) Statutory commission is prescribed in clause 13 of the Order.

(*d*) By the purchaser.

(*e*) The bus TRV. 2293 was auctioned but the auction has not been approved.

(*f*) There is no statutory control over prices of buses and lorries.

MR. P. K. KURIAKOSE: In answer to part (e), may I know for what price the bus was bid in auction?

MR. E. G. SALTER: I regret I have no information.

State Transport Department.

387 *MR. K. A. MATHEW: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether Ardisher & Co. is an agency which supplies tyres to the State Transport Department;

(*b*) whether there is any other agency for supplying tyres;

(*c*) if the answer to (a) is in the affirmative, how many tyres have been allotted to this company after tyre rationing came into force and what amount has been paid to them; and

(*d*) who are the partners of this company;

MR. E. G. SALTER: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) 5,555 Tyres and Rs. 10,92,444-23 Chs.-8 Cash.

(*d*) Messrs. H. A. Tarapore, J. H. Tarapore and C. S. Loganathan.

Transport Department.

388 *MR. D. THOMAS: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the Transport department is in the habit of giving any publicity when they recruit conductors and drivers to the department;

(*b*) if so, how; and

(*c*) whether there is any objection in publishing it in the Government Gazette?

MR. E. G. SALTER: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) By advertisement in all the important newspapers of the State.

(*c*) No.

Transport buses.

389 *MR. P. S. NATARAJA PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state regarding the State Transport:

(*a*) the number of buses allotted for each of the following lines during each of the months of the period Makaram to Mithunam 1120:—

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